

December 7, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Supervisor Ginger Schwanebeck was not in attendance today as she is working on the election recount at the Vilas County Courthouse.

Others present: Eric Johnson FYI News, Roberta Gast, Norm Wetzel, Jim Sommerfeldt, Kay Hoff, Abbie McEnroe from the Lakeland Times.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Mr. Gaulke and seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to approve voucher numbers 49137-49174 from the General Fund, voucher numbers 1693-1696 from the Ambulance Fund. Motion carried. The clerk brought to the attention of the Chairman that the vouchers should not be approved today as Supervisor Schwanebeck is not present to approve the vouchers. One of the checks is for Mr. Gaulke's employer. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to rescinded their approval of the vouchers to avoid any conflict of interest. Motion carried. These vouchers will be brought before the board at a Special Town Board meeting to be scheduled for early next week.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2016 Special Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 11/30/2016 as \$659,501.98. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 11/30/2016 as \$439,030.02. The treasurer will be working on transferring the money spent during the year out of the reserve fund to the General Fund. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Resolution to waive treasurers' short term bond: A motion was made by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to adopt resolution 2016-01 to waive the purchase of a short term bond to cover the tax collections for Vilas County. Motion carried:

Re-Appoint Town Clerk for new 3 year term: 1/1/17 to 12/31/19: A motion was made by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to re-appoint the Town Clerk for a new 3 year term 1/1/17 to 12/31/19. Motion carried.

Towns position on Public Road SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 Section 31-T41N-R6E: Mr. Gaulke explained that he received a request from Attorney Tom Lawrence a couple of weeks ago and apparently off of Sterns Lake Road there is a property that was sold and subdivided back in 1952 by Ben Gauthier. He had reserved a stretch of road (driveway) and listed it as a public road. The family owns both parcels. The other parcel has its own driveway. They would like the town to send them some type of letter stating it

is not a town road, we have never maintained it and it is not on our gas tax map listing. They believe it was put into the deed by Ben Gauthier originally. Mr. Gaulke stated we do see this occasionally and end up clearing these issues up to show these parcels not containing a town road. Motion by Mr. Mayer to have the chairman respond with a letter in regards to the towns' position referencing it as not a town road and we have no intention of making it a town road. Motion seconded by Mr. Gaulke. Motion carried.

Bartenders License: Bartender application was received from Lisa LeSieur. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to approve the application as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to adjourn at 1:10 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk